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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 21 November 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m. — 4229th meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the former Yugoslavia since 1991

   International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States, between 1 January 1994 and 31 December 1994

3.30 p.m. — consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultation Room

The situation in Burundi

Briefing by the Secretariat

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

10 a.m. — 70th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

1. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization [28]

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/55/122)

   (b) Draft resolution (A/55/L.22/Rev.1)

2. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies [39]

   (a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/55/489, A/55/520)

   (b) Draft resolution (A/55/L.32)

Open-ended Informal Consultations of the Plenary on agenda item 182
(Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit)

3 p.m.	3rd meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1

To consider a Conference Room Paper (A/55/CRP.1) entitled "Elements for a draft resolution on the follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit submitted by the President of the General Assembly"

[The Conference Room Paper is available in all official languages of the United Nations in room S-2925 and will also be available in the Conference Room.]

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Ms. Anne Barrington (Ireland), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/55/L.38 (item 92 (c)) and A/C.2/55/L.35 (item 97)

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Mauricio Escanero (Mexico), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.36 (item 100)

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on agenda item 122 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment the expenses of the United Nations (A/55/11 and Corr.1))

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations of the Third and Fifth Committees on agenda item 118 (Programme planning) and in particular Programme 19 "Human rights" (A/55/6 (Prog. 19), A/C.5/55/20 and Add.1 and A/C.5/55/CRP.3))

11.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 115 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/55/5 Vols. I, III, IV and Adds.1-12, A/55/80 and Add.1, A/55/380 and Add.1, A/55/364 and A/55/487))

3 p.m.	30th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [126] (A/55/436, A/55/469 and A/C.5/55/23)

   Introduction and general discussion

2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [116]

   Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the investigation into the misdirection of Member States' contributions to the UNEP Trust Fund account (A/55/353)

   Introduction and general discussion

3. Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo [133] (A/55/477 and A/55/624)

   Introduction and general discussion

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 138 (b) (Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East: United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (A/55/482 and A/55/516))

6.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 121 (Pattern of conferences (A/55/32, A/55/134, A/55/182, A/55/259, A/55/410, A/55/430 and A/AC.172/2000/6))

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* Following the adjournment of the 30th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	34th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	35th meeting	Conference Room 2

Measures to eliminate international terrorism [164]

Action on draft resolution A/C.6/55/L.17

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR): Request for a subvention to the UNIDIR resulting from the recommendations of the Board of Trustees of the Institute on the work programme of the Institute for 2001
2. Report of the Panel on United Nations peace operations *(continued)*
3. Revised estimates under section 7, International Court of Justice; section 32, Staff assessment; and income section 1, Income from staff assessment
4. Administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the ICSC

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

WORKING GROUP

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4

COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE

10.30. a.m. - 1 p.m.	254th meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

Consideration, inter alia, of draft resolutions on the question of Palestine

INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE

9 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8
2.30 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Today, 21 November 2000, there will be meetings of interested delegations on draft proposals, as follows:

Conference Room B: A/C.2/55/L.31 (item 95 (f), from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Conference Room B: A/C.2/55/L.24 (item 97), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.;

Conference Room D: A/C.2/55/L.28 (item 92 (b)), from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; A/C.2/55/L.32 (item 93 (b)), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; A/C.2/55/L.25 (item 97), from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.; and

Conference Room E: A/C.2/55/L.17 (item 95 (a)), from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.;

Delegations are still requested to consult the blackboard outside of Conference Room 6 for any changes in the schedule for this consultation

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), *today*, 21 November 2000, at 10 a.m. sharp, in Conference Room 9.

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The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will meet *today*, 21 November 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in room DC2-470A.

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Announcement

The Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) announced the launching of the Official United Nations Web site on the 2002 review of progress achieved since UNCED at www.un.org/rio+10. This Web site will provide information about the preparations for the review at the national, regional and international levels, as well as links to United Nations System and major group partners. The information on this site will be regularly updated as the preparatory process unfolds. Inquiries about the web site can be directed to Division for Sustainable Development of DESA (tel.: (212) 963-8811, or (212) 963-8429, or by e-mail at dsd@un.org).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 21 November 2000

ARAB GROUP OF THE SIXTH COMMITTEE

9.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room C

GROUP OF LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN STATES

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 1

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda item 94 (c)) (Culture and development)

1.15 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room B

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda item 93 (a)) (Industrial development cooperation) (A/C.2/55/L.22))

1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room C

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

2 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

ISLAMIC GROUP
(at the ambassadorial level)

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on environmental issues)

6 p.m. - 10 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda item 173 (Towards global partnerships))

6 p.m. - 10 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations on a draft resolution on humanitarian assistance to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, under agenda item 20 (b) (Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions), organized by the delegation of the Russian Federation, will be held *today*, 21 November 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A.

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations on agenda item 18 (Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples), which will be considered in plenary, will be convened by the Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (Papua New Guinea) *today*, 21 November 2000, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

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Announcement

As from Thursday, 2 November 2000, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

The Web site of the Netherlands Presidency of the Security Council can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.int/netherlands.

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 22 November 20

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	37th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	38th meeting	Conference Room 2

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	31st meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* Following the adjournment of the 31st meeting of the Fifth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session

11 a.m.	48th meeting	Conference Room 2

Human rights [14]

Report of the fifth special session of the Commission on Human Rights (E/2000/112-E/CN.4/S-5/5 and E/2000/112/Add.1-E/CN.4/S-5/5/Add.1)

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and its sub-items, conducted by H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth (Luxembourg), will take place on Wednesday, 22 November 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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The thirty-fifth session of the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law will be held on Wednesday, 22 November 2000, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

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The 14th meeting* of the first session of the Preparatory Committee for the High-Level Intergovernmental Event on Financing for Development will be held on Wednesday, 22 November 2000, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

* The meeting will be preceded, by an informal briefing by the Executive Coordinator on the progress of preparation of the Secretary-General policy report to the Preparatory Committee for the High-level International Intergovernmental Event on Financing for Development, from 10 a.m. 10.30 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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The 2nd meeting of the Credentials Committee will be held on Monday, 4 December 2000, at 10 a.m. Delegations that have not submitted credentials are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rule of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the Secretary of the Credentials Committee (room S-3420A).

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SECURITY COUNCIL

The United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission (UNMOVIC), established under Security Council resolution 1284 (1999) of 17 December 1999, will hold its third plenary meeting on Monday, 27 November, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7, and on Tuesday, 28 and Wednesday, 29 November 2000, at 10 a.m.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Bureau of the Commission on the Status of Women invites delegations to propose names for panellists to participate in the forty-fifth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (6 to 16 March 2001). There will be two panels focusing on the following thematic issues being taken up by the Commission: (1) Women, the girl child and HIV/AIDS; and (2) Gender and racial discrimination. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (Room DC2-1259), no later than Thursday, 7 December 2000.

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United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

List of speakers

The fourth session of the Conference of the Parties will take place from 11 to 22 December 2000 in Bonn, Germany. The special segment on the implementation of the Convention will be held from 18 to 20 December. Statements at this segment will be open to Parties, observers, international intergovernmental organizations, multilateral agencies and institutions accredited to the Conference, United Nations programmes and specialized agencies with representation at the appropriate level. It is suggested that the average time for each statement should not exceed 5 minutes.

The list of speakers for the special segment is open until Tuesday, 5 December. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for this segment are requested to contact the technical Secretariat of the Conference in New York (Ms. June Chesney: tel.: (212) 963-5742; fax: (212) 963-5935; e-mail: chesney@un.org). The list will be reopened in Bonn on Monday, 11 December (telephone and fax numbers to be announced).

A list of speakers for other statements by Parties and observers in the Plenary during the first week of the session will open in Bonn on Monday, 11 December.

The provisional agenda and organization of work for the session is contained in document ICCD/COP(4)/1 and can be retrieved from the Optical Disk System or from the Convention Web site (http://www.unccd.int).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the JUSCANZ Group (Second Committee) on Wednesday, 22 November 2000, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room B.

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There will be a meeting of the Western European and Other States Group on Wednesday, 22 November 2000, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)* on Wednesday, 22 November 2000, from 2 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations on a draft resolution on strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations, under agenda item 20 (a), organized by the delegation of Sweden, will be held on Wednesday, 22 November 2000, in the afternoon* in Conference Room 8.

* Following the adjournment of the informal consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and its sub-items, conducted by H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth (Luxembourg).

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations on agenda item 47 (Assistance in mine action) will be held on Wednesday, 22 November, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B, and on Monday, 27 November 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing their annual Briefing on the Security Council for members of the Council. The workshop to be conducted in English will be held on the following dates: Monday, 27 November from 2.30 to 6 p.m.; Tuesday, 28 November from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 29 November from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; and Friday, 30 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, a draft programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all States that will be Members of the Security Council in 2001. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 22 November. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603, tel.: 963-9196).

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the German Management Academy (DMAN) are jointly organizing the second session in the annual series entitled "Public-Private Partnership for Sustainable Development". This session will focus on "Public-Private partnership for Infrastructure Development". The workshop to be conducted in English will be held on Thursday, 7 and Friday, 8 December 2000, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, a draft programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 29 November. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603, tel.: 963-9684).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Friday, 17 November 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

67th plenary meeting

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [59]

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 59.

Statements were made by the representatives of Guyana, Djibouti, Poland, Fiji, Ghana, Azerbaijan, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Syrian Arab Republic, Turkmenistan, Ecuador, Kuwait, Tunisia, Cambodia, the Dominican Republic, Nauru, the Republic of Moldova, Rwanda, Israel, Nepal, Bulgaria, Chile, Albania, El Salvador, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the Sudan, Grenada, Greece, the Marshall Islands, Ethiopia, the Russian Federation, Iraq and Cameroon.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 59.

Programme of work

The President informed the General Assembly that consideration of agenda item 43 (The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development), originally scheduled for Wednesday, 22 November 2000, was postponed to a future date.

Monday, 20 November 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

4228th (private) meeting

The situation in East Timor

Report of the Security Council Mission to East Timor and Indonesia (S/2000/1105)

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"At its 4228th meeting, held in private on 20 November 2000, the Security Council considered the item entitled 'The situation in East Timor.'

"In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, representatives of the Troop-Contributing countries to the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET) were invited to be present at the meeting.

"The Security Council heard a briefing by His Excellency Mr. Martin Andjaba, Permanent Representative of Namibia to the United Nations, Head of the Security Council Mission to East Timor and Indonesia, who introduced the mission's report (S/2000/1105).

"The members of the Council had a preliminary discussion of the report."

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

68th plenary meeting

A statement on the occasion of the eleventh African Industrialization Day

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) [51]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of agenda item 51 and to include it in the provisional agenda of the fifty-sixth session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 51.

Report of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994: note by the Secretary-General transmitting the fifth annual report of the International Criminal Tribunal (A/55/435) [53]

The General Assembly took note of the fifth annual report of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda.

The President of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of France (on behalf of the European Union and Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovenia and Turkey), Norway, the United Republic of Tanzania, Swaziland, Lesotho, South Africa, Rwanda, Benin, the United States and Nigeria.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 53.

Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [52]

(a) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the seventh annual report of the International Tribunal (A/55/273)

(b) Letter from the Secretary-General addressed to the Presidents of the General Assembly and of the Security Council (A/55/382)

The General Assembly took note of the seventh annual report of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia.

The President of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of France (on behalf of the European Union and Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovenia and Turkey), Croatia, Norway, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Turkey, the Russian Federation and the United States.

Statements in exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Israel and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 52.

69th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 69th plenary meeting will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2000/227).

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE — 35th meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions: external debt crisis and development [92 (c)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.38

The representative of Nigeria introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Training and research [97]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.35

The representative of Nigeria introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Globalization and interdependence [100]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.36

The representative of Nigeria introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Additional sponsors

France joined in sponsoring draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.24 (item 97) on behalf of the European Union.

Draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.7/Rev.1

The representative of Lebanon made a statement regarding the voting on the draft resolution.

High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development [101]

Following a statement by the Chairman on behalf of the Bureau, the Committee decided to postpone its consideration of the item until the Preparatory Committee for the High-level International Intergovernmental Event concluded its work.

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PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE HIGH-LEVEL INTERNATIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL EVENT ON FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT
Resumed first session — 13th meeting

Organization of work

The Co-Chairman, H.E. Mr. Asda Jayanama (Thailand), made a statement regarding the organization of work.

Following a statement by the representative of Mexico, the meeting was adjourned.

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Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Twenty-fifth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

FRIDAY, 17 NOVEMBER 2000

446th meeting

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [4]

The Committee began its consideration of the third periodic report of Canada (CAT/C/34/Add.13). In accordance with rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meeting and introduced the report submitted by their Government.

The Committee adopted its concluding observations relating to the second periodic report of Armenia.

447th meeting

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [4]

The Committee presented its concluding observations on Armenia.

The Committee then continued its consideration of the second periodic report of Australia (CAT/C/25/Add.11). Representatives of State party replied to the questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

Consideration of communications under article 22 of the Convention [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item in closed session.

MONDAY, 20 NOVEMBER 2000

448th meeting

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [4]

The Committee began its consideration of the second periodic report of Cameroon (CAT/C/17/Add.22). In accordance with rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meeting and introduced the report submitted by their Government.

The Committee then adopted its concluding observations relating to the third periodic report of Belarus.

449th meeting

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [4]

The Committee presented its concluding observations on Belarus.

The Committee continued its consideration of the third periodic report of Canada (CAT/C/34/Add.13). Representatives of State party replied to the questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS
Twenty-fourth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

FRIDAY, 17 NOVEMBER 2000

64th and 65th meetings

Consideration of State party reports [6]

The Committee began its consideration of the second periodic report of Belgium (E/1990/6/Add.18). In accordance with rule 62 of the Committee's rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report and replied to questions raised and comments made by the members of the Committee.

MONDAY, 20 NOVEMBER 2000

66th (closed) meeting

Consideration of State party reports [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the second periodic report of Belgium (E/1990/6/Add.18). In accordance with rule 62 of the Committee's rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meeting and replied to questions raised and comments made by the members of the Committee.

67th (closed) meeting

Consideration of State party reports [6]

The Committee held a preliminary discussion on the concluding observations on Belgium.

The Committee then discussed the procedure to be adopted concerning Yugoslavia, who will not send a delegation to the consideration of its report, Nigeria (previous request for an early report) and Israel (previous report for additional information on the implementation of economic, social and cultural rights in the occupied territories).

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 6 October 1999

Ratification: Slovakia (17 November 2000)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council *today*, 21 November 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The meeting is open to staff members only.

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